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without moving. "What d'ye mean?"

"I mean I'm entitled to the money and I've come for it. Don't answer yet. Listen! Just before old Mac-Dougal died he told me how much Don't answer spoken. ou paid him to break my leg by reddent. He quoted your actual sords—'If he's not there, MacDougal, at examination time there'll be a hundred pounds for you. He showed me the actual hundred—the actual bank otes you gave him. He offered them to me. His son Andry has the hun-dred now; he knows where it came o get me to take it."

The Major's jaw dropped, but he

spun on his heel in an attempt to were enough. "What mare's nest is this?" he spluttered.

He admitted that you bribed him, and I thrashed him for it just three weeks ago today. He and I are quits. He put the admission in writing and

The Major said nothing, thoughtis perhaps wiser for saving money,

If he does say nothing.
"Under the circumstances," contin-ued Dick, "I applied for a commission In a hurry, and saw a lawyer, I know where I am and where you are. I've come for that thousand, and I'll take now or fight-now, understand-not omorrow or the day after-now! And I give you from now exactly five a minutes to come to a decision! No. son't try to leave the room—I've got my eye on the bell, too—thirty secends are up! Think, man-you'd bet-

After one wild glance around him for a way of escape Major Anthony at down and thought deliberately. "I'll pay," he said quietly, pulling est his check book, just as Dick snapped his watch shut. "It's extortion, but I'll pay."

vatched him write the check, and watched him write and sign a firmation of it.
"Now I'm off," he said, putting both

be after you to know why, sword-I'm heir-I've a right to it-I want it

"No," said Major Wallace Anthony, "Possession," said Dick, walking t the mantelpiece, "Is nine points of the

more, basket-hilted, with a beryl set code. more, basket-nitted, with the hilt, and characters of the top of the hilt, and characters of the hilt of the hill o

I bold against you-and-don't-let-me- feed the government machinery at 33 per cent of market price. Holding the strange sword by the

toad to Lamlash.

Te have the sword, I see. I'm glad "I wouldn't go home if they'd give have it. Ye'll be goin' in the me Egypt," answered Dick. "Ye have the sword, I see. I'm glad Dick nodded

Andry was six full inches the taller of the two and looked even bigger in his uniform. "Where are ye goin' Mr. Dicky?

Where awa' "Africa-Tunis-Algeria - Egypt - any-

There was a pause while they eyed wondering.

for recognizing the fact.

Forgetful of his uniform, he held ing a little while. "We take the evening train for Alexandria."

Nothing loath, Andry obeyed.

But if Dick imagined that he was called his own hand out (and it was cally very little whiter); Andry selzed it, and was satisfied.

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want-I've heard of impu-his uncle stammered. either fight or pay." smiled into the cockpit later and accepted bread and cheese.
"Did you desert?" asked Dick; and those were the first words he had

"I did not. I bought charrage. It was verra costly, but I broke into the hunner pound an' bought it."

"So I'm at y'r ser-r-vice," with ar air of triumph. "Very well, Andry. Man the pump."
So the two men went on from Brest,
where one had started out alone, and dred now; he knows where it came through all that followed there was from and for what, and he has tried never any more compact than that between them-three words of agreement and an order-"Man the pump

> Cairene society is cosmopolitan, but Princess Olga Karageorgovich was out

If she was more than two and twenty, then the extra years were as art-I had it witnessed; my lawyer has it fully concealed as were her motives. She had all junior officialdom enthrall-An officer—presumably a gen-i-found out at such expedients chat glowed behind her eyes-attendant on her. The seniors (and their wives) all voted her a nuisance.

The princess posed as a student of

institutions. And after Dick let go his anchor in the harbor of Alexan-dria and came on to Cairo by express, she grew interested in purely British things, asking a brand-new line of things, asking a brand-new line of questions. Officialdom had hopes for questions. a while that she even meant to visit

The sunshine of Dick's character had strengthened, now that he had a companion of kinds.

The Bay of Biscay had treated them according to tradition. Turn about, they had to nurse the little ship day and night, night and day, ceaselessly
When Andry was despondent, out
would come Dick's bagpipes, and a swaggering refrain would answer back the storm, putting new fight in both of them. But after that there forand watched him write and sign a lowed blue, sweet-sailing months in letter to the Lamiash bankers in confirmation of it. "Now I'm off." he said, putting both into his pocket. "You'll pay my four hundred a year to my lawyer, or he'll be after you to know why. There's put him up at the swellest clubs and wide. eyed officialdom in sweat-wet suits exracted facts from him and sympathized

cess Karageorgovich heard Richard to say the price is a hundred francs, say things which convinced her—which made her send a cablegram or two in "Speech of the price is a hundred francs, in the price is a hundred francs, him—Filmi Fared—to the six-foot ward at the window. The shutters drop and the hempen rope, to dance moved a trifle—forward and then back- "Decidedly unservent." in a manner all its own.

otched rather rudely down the blade. It had no scabbard; and though the blade had been kept polished by almost unnumbered generations, the weapon looked older than the mantel-weapon looked older than the mantel-plece.

"T'll take it with me," said Dick, "and if you want it back you'll have "and if you want it back you'll have "and if you want it back you'll have "bick aside to where both thought that he says he never, no never leaves the me-ught object aside to where both thought the was the was edges—and with a great beryl in the state of a little group of the grow of a little group of the grow of a little group of a little group of the grow of a little group of a little group of the grow of is born I'll bring it back if I'm at the in quest of new, strong nerves-of unother end of the world. Failing an mosquito-bitten energy-of youth, and heir-remember the written evidence young idealism, and clean pride-to

per cent of market price.
"You must be reasonable, my boy. strode out, straight up the It was clear that Dick had told him many things. "You must take what you can get. Because you failed for "Where away, Mr. Dicky, sir?"

The voice and the accent were a the regular army for some reason or scotsman's speaking English with the prideful accuracy of learning newly won.

"Away, that's all," said Dick. "Just hat's all," said Dick. "Just hat's learning the regular army for some reason why you shouldn't be a huge success with us. We want good men. Go home and get nominated—I'll give you a letter that will live the trick."

francs!

turn the trick." He raised his hat and stalked away, walking like a king and not at all aware of it; he seemed to himself more like a little, unimportant man who had said a lot too much. He who had said a lot too much. He or perhaps continued—by the opening reached his hotel and a new decision of the door. Film! Fared bowed him-

He found Andry on the bedroom floor, crouched over the beryl-hilted sword, cleaning it, and he watched him for a while, half amused, half

up!" said Dick, after watch-le while. "We take the even-"Pack up!" said

"You have your choice between a kingdom and death."

of at another door.

lipped between.
The guide crossed over at last-

Whose life would be forfeit if the was

o not speak so loud."

money through her fingers—and could to Andry's following Dick.

So the maid continued in her own pour more—could—ah—hadn't you bet- Following their guide car

Egyptian.
"Here. In this hotel." "Does he know?"
"He knows nothing

You must make him prisoner-must hold him while the legend starts on

Before he could swing around and smite for the honor of the clan of

two edges—and with a great beryl in tunity. He must be seized, and used! the handle, old and badly cut— You must make him prisoner—must it is antique. He kisses me—la! He hold him while the legend starts on

with both hands folded

front of him and his brown eyes fixed

suspicious looking box affair in one far corner of the room.

"These gentlemen," said Filmi Fared, "The other harbor, eh? Well, take standing up, "are the sworn representatives of sixty-eight thousand armed men who are at present in secret rebellion against British rule. The movement is world-wide—it is named Pan-Islam—but our present plans are confined to Egypt. We have waited only for a leader. You have been chosen as that leader. Tou are required to take an oath of allegiance to our cause—on the Koran—on the Bible—and on your sword. You are required to swear that when you have been raised to the throne of Egypt you will reign constitutionally. And you are required to commit yourself in writing before these witnesses. You should sign here."

The other harbor, eh? Well, take in the still sleeply native crew gave way. They were too accustomed to the manners and peculiarities of drunken first-class passengers from the particular to be suspicious, and too interested in the money they would earn to hesitate. A half hour's row—for they had to search for the little ship—brought them alongside, and a sleepy watchman welcomed them.

"How much d'you want?" asked Dick. "Ten shillings," said the owner of the other harbor, eh? Well, take is there—give way—hurry up!"

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T should sign here."

and laughed aloud

Filmi Fared was about to speak cost us more than that, Andry, if they again, but he was interrupted by a went back to the city and told tales." the room opposite to that through which Dick and Andry had burst in.

The signal was answered, and another one replied again. Then the door opened, and closed again behind dawn. a woman, veiled to her heels in black.

Her slippers happened to be pink and Dick wondered where—and when—he had seen just such slippers.

With a walk that was inimitable—

down the little afterdeck, one on

and vaguely familiar—she walked either side—Andry prayerful, Dick down a gangway opened through the fuming, and both of them taut-strung and involved than any other man? no one will suspect, I will show the crowd, straight up to Dick. She tap- to jumping point. ed him with a fan.

ecossals and c-r-r-r-ushed comme English did but suspect his treach-ca," she panted still trying to speak cry? Eh—Filmi Fared? And—and—stepped out of the shadows, nearly English, she was so unhinged with who—by a word or two—by a hint indignation, "then it is also business dropped here and there—could send skin; dumb with terror he glanced up-"Andry!" called Dick, and the giant "You are the uncrowned King of walked the deck and walted, each stepped out of the shadows, nearly Egypt!" she asserted—in French aloud knowing what the other thought too -for all the room to hear. Then she well to waste breath.
said it again in Italian, and in English, and in Arabic.
when the tenth false alarm had set

> money through her fingers—and could pour more—could—ah—hadn't you better begin your rebellion—Filmi Fared? The hour and the man are ready—through has paid and waits!"
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> To did a pour more following Dick.
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> To did a story—a legend we have started—the following their guide carefully, but went out tonight—like ripples of a safely, this is where we part company. It was all very well for me many side streets until they came at it will travel fast. In the meanwhile, to accept your service at a time when "Where is your man?" demanded the last to the dinglest, shabblest part of you had better sign. You are offered I was an independent man of means more than you perhaps realize."
> Dick smiled, but did not answer. dria. Andry and Dick drew Dick leading, but Andry so

lose behind that no man could have The crowd drew back to the farthest listening?"

must compromise him, so that he down a narrow passage—put his foot dare not go back on you—must force inside the door directly it was opened his hand—and then strike, while the —and beckoned Dick.

"You have your choice between a kingdom and death!" said the woman.

lence, and the princess walked to the window, whence she could see Dick Anthony striding along the sea front as if the whole earth knew he owned it. She watched him as a snake might watch a bird until he crossed the street and disappeared in the hotel.

Her reflections were broken into—or perhaps continued—by the opening of the door. Filmi Fared bowed him—into the continued—by the opening of the door. Filmi Fared bowed him—into the continued—by the opening of the door. Filmi Fared bowed him—into the continued—by the opening of the door. Filmi Fared bowed him—into the continued—by the opening of the door. Filmi Fared bowed him—into the continued—by the opening of the door. Filmi Fared bowed him—into the continued—by the opening of the door. Filmi Fared bowed him—into the continued—by the opening of the door. Filmi Fared bowed him—into the continued—by the opening of the door. Filmi Fared bowed him—into the continued—by the opening of the door to the street, then strode at a continued—by the opening of the door. Filmi Fared bowed him—into the continued—by the opening of the door. Filmi Fared bowed him—into the continued—by the opening of the door to the street, then strode at a continued—by the opening of the continued to the ladges was suptout the possed to be all stowed by this time. And then he started, to find Dick bear and then he started, to find Di At the place where six streets come together—where at night were principally shadows that hid the unguess-cipally shadows that hid the unguess-able—Andry was hustled suddenly.

He flung Andry by the taut-wrench-weaklings, none of whom dares lead—Then hear me now! D'ye ken where will then be your fools—your tools—together—where at night were principally shadows that hid the unguess-on alone down the unlit passage.

Dick took no notice of him when the place where six streets come and muscles back and out through the will then be your fools—your tools—together—where at night were principally shadows that hid the unguess-on alone down the unlit passage.

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on the floor.

She stepped up to him and took his shatched him to a couch—and stood there facing him, after compelling him his arm. And before he could raise to sit. He sat quite still, except that to sit. He sat quite still, except that one hand stroked his gray-shot beard. "News?" he asked. "Your messenger said news." He spoke French perger said news." He spoke French perfectly.

"Tes. News! I have the man for you."

Smite for the honor of the clan of Anthony, some one slippery had stanother door.

Anthony, some one slippery had stanother door.

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Anthony, some one slippery had that door opened, too. The hag drop that door opened, too. The hag drop out of the procession, and they more an outcry, or summon his wits, sword, thicf, and those who had hustled him right, left—the guide calling out directions from behind and striking of your occasional matches to assure himself.

Five minutes after Andry's breathfeetly.

"Tes. News! I have the man for you."

Her young eyes that hinted so much there will be considerated as his old ones could and heir—recalling his promise—and and heir—recalling his promise—and and heir—recalling his promise—and and heir promise—and and and heir promise—and and heir promise—and and and heir promise—and and and heir promise—and and and heir procession, and they firm that door opened, too. The hag drop.

"The Levantine made more signals, and that door opened, too. The hag drop.

"The unit door opened, too. The hag drop.

"Tou are thinking ober.

"Tou are lebel! Lead these other rebel

No one moved. Then Dick strode forward, suddenly, Andry closing up behind him, covering his master's back with his own huge bulk. In a second Dick had the sword and was examining it to make sure that the beryl was still safely in the hilt. It was there! In his glee he swung it, and brought it to a whistling, humming shiver in the air above him.

"Zindabad Anthony Shah!" yelled somebody. And that was Persian Dick understood it—knew what it meant. In twenty tongues the crowd yelled out the answer, "Long live King Anthony!"

Unthinking—but possibly with the vague idea that he was proving ownership—Dick swung the sword aloft again. The crowd yelled a salve of applause and a flashlight streamed out. There was no camera visible—only a suspicious looking box affair in one far corner of the room.

"These gentlemen, said Filmi Fared, "The other harbor, eh? Well, take the toppled into the street surgling.

By guesswork, and by sheer dead reckoning, Dick drove at the most prodigious flog for the shore—for the darkest part of the harbor from the carriage and a lash of the whip eent the horses galloping free in the direction of the city, with the empty carriage swaying in their wake.

"Look!" said Dick. "Jump for it!" There was a boat, with three rowers aloft in it, moored to a buoy some fourtoen feet out from the shore. The rowers aloped the boat and fell headlong over one of the natives, frightening him almost out of the street strength and the water, like a whale descendant in the control of the city, with the empty carriage swaying in their wake.

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hould sign here."

Dick threw back his tawny head nd laughed aloud.
"You sign, or you die," smiled Film!
"It's cheap," said Dick. "It would The Themistokles - one thousand

n'est-ce pas"

"Speak French, imbecile," purred by the neck on nothing—eh? She wno the Princess Oiga Karageorgovich, "and do not speak so loud."

"In the prince is a numored tranes, nim—Filmi Fared—to the six-loot ward at the window. The shutters lish, and in Arabic.

"Decidedly uncrowned!" smiled Richier hearts to fluttering against their hearts to say.

"You must remain a prisoner until a story—a legend we have started—a story—a legend we have st

Now I'm a fugitive! Then, draw a certain income from She turned to the crowd and swept any time—a small income, but a certit with a majestic look.
"Leave me alone to speak to him!" less than a thousand pounds, and positively no prospects. Are you

"Aye."
"I've been photographed with drawn sword, surrounded by a of known criminals. I suppose francs!"

"Continue," smiled the princess, not noticing the modest request.

"There was no more, except that they leave here at daybreak—he did not name the steamer. Their berths have been engaged."

"Tell Filmi Fared I have news for him."

The maid bowed herself out in silence, and the princess walked to the lence, and the princess walked to the lence, and the princess walked to the lence, and the princess walked to be all stowed by this time.

I misde the door directly it was opened inside the door directly it was opened kingdom and death!" said the woman, standing close and tapping Richard when an they of known criminals. I suppose about the me so first." Swore Andry thrusting himself past, heaving the Levantine to one side and rushing the found was a pitch-dark passage and an old hag, nearly blind, who held a candle lamp. She peered up at him trembling and muttering.

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door to the street, then strode straight on alone down the unlit passage.

Dick took no notice of him when the glant brought up to him, breathing hard, at another door.

The Levantine made more signals, and the struments? Is Richard Anthony afraid?

You were not afraid to speak your glant brought up to him, breathing hard, at another door.

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You were not afraid to speak your glant to a high commissioner! Lead, man back in again—an' I man' Lead on! You are known for give ye leave. Then—Td be where I was. Ye've a right to do that—an' ne more."

